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REGIONAL 4-H CAMP COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
Washington, D.C. - March 28, 1955

The planning committee of the Regional 4-H Club Camp for Negro Boys and Girls met at the U.S. Department of Agriculture on Monday, March 28, 1955. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by the committee Chairman, Mr. W. H. Daughtrey, Associate Director, Virginia Extension Service. All members of the committee ~~were~~ present. The purpose of the meeting was to determine the major direction and planning activities of the camp program and to make vital decisions so that the various states could be notified of plans for consideration in developing state activities.

Director Daughtrey lead a discussion with reference to the agenda for the meeting and indicated certain matters requiring the immediate attention of the committee. The matters outlined were considered during the all day session of the committee.

Date: The committee confirmed August 12-22, 1955 as a desirable date for holding the camp.

Housing: Mr. George Foster presented a report on housing accommodations for the group while in attendance at the camp in Washington, D. C. He indicated that numerous contacts had been made in an effort to secure suitable hotel accommodations in the down-town area of Washington. Results of the investigations made revealed that the hotels contacted would only make reservations for a part of the group with 50 persons being the maximum number for which accommodations would be provided in any one hotel. The committee discussed the inadvisability of having the delegation divided into several groups and the relative high cost of hotel accommodations. It was decided that this arrangement would be unsatisfactory. The Dunbar Hotel, a Negro establishment, was not accepted as desirable for housing boys and girls.

A sub-committee was named by the chairman to investigate the possibility of housing on the campus of Howard University. This committee was composed of Mr. George Foster, Mr. P. H. Stone and Mrs. Marion B. Paul. Consideration was given to a letter from Howard University in which an invitation was extended to hold the 1954 camp at that institution. The chairman requested that the sub-committee contact the proper officials at Howard University in the interest of using their facilities in holding the 1955 camp. The sub-committee was dismissed to go to Howard University to attend to this matter. Upon completion of this assignment, the sub-committee made the following report:

A conference was held with Mr. Stanton, Business Manager at Howard University, relative to housing accommodations for the delegates attending the Regional 4-H Camp. The Business Manager was enthusiastic about the proposal and readily gave approval in making the facilities of the University available to serve the needs of the camp. He requested that the

matter be formally handled in a letter in which all details would be indicated.

Accommodations available at Howard University are:

1. Lodging per delegate - (2 persons to a room)      \$2.50  
(In University dormitories)
2. Meals per day per delegate      1.75  
(In University dining hall)  
  
    Breakfast      \$ .45  
    Lunch      .55  
    Dinner      .75  
                 \$1.75
3. Approximate fee per delegate      29.20  
(Estimate of 20 meals and 6 nights  
lodging beginning at 8:00 a.m. on  
August 15 and ending after breakfast  
on August 22)
4. Arrangement for laundry facilities
5. Other available facilities:
  - a. Auditorium - air conditioned
  - b. Swimming Pool
  - c. Chapel
  - d. Small conference rooms

The Business Manager urged that all visitors be authorized by the appropriate State worker and that all people attending completely understand the regulations.

The committee accepted the report of the sub-committee and agreed to use the facilities of Howard University for housing the group. A registration fee of \$35.00 per delegate to include meals, lodging, entertainment, hospitalization and incidentals was accepted as satisfactory. The pre-registration fee per 4-H delegate of \$10.00 will be required as in the past which makes a total of \$45.00 to be paid by each 4-H delegate and \$35.00 for each leader attending the camp.

Program: The chairman appointed the following persons to serve as a sub-committee to plan the program of the Regional 4-H Club Camp:

Mr. George Foster, Chairman	Mr. P. H. Stone
Miss Mena Hogan	Mr. Sherman Briscoe
Mr. C. A. Sheffield	Mr. Ross Newsome
Mr. Joe Tonkin	Mr. Edwin Hunton
Mrs. Ezelle M. Hawkins	Mrs. Thelma Hewlett

Recommendations with reference to program were:

1. Theme: "Improving Family and Community Living."
2. Tentative program will be prepared and distributed from the Federal Office. Final program to be prepared by Virginia Extension Service.
3. Secure suitable picture for cover of program. A scenic view in Washington (Washington Monument) may be used. Picture from Mississippi Camp may be used for inside spread.
4. Speakers - Possibilities include: President of Howard University  
Secretary of Agriculture
5. Other program suggestions:
  - a. Baseball game (consider schedule for Griffith Stadium)
  - b. Entertainment (consider Washington, D.C. scheduled events)
  - c. Tours
  - d. Recreation
  - e. Music

Key Personnel:

Camp Director - Mr. P. H. Stone	Assistant Camp Directors: Mr. Ross Newsome Mrs. Ezelle M. Hawkins
Camp Operator: Mr. W. C. Cooper	Camp Secretary: To be named by Camp Director
Camp Treasurer: Treasurer of Howard University	
Tours: Mr. Sherman Briscoe, Chairman Mr. Martin G. Bailey	

SUMMARY OF DECISIONS AND/OR RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY COMMITTEE WITH  
REFERENCE TO REGIONAL 4-H CLUB CAMP

Date: August 15-22, 1955

Housing: Howard University, Washington, D.C. Director Ferguson to write president of Howard University referring to invitation extended in 1954 and advising that we are in a position to accept the invitation in 1955. Refer to conference held with Business Manager. Mr. George Foster and Mr. Charles A. Sheffield to write letter and contact Director Ferguson relative to this matter. A copy of the correspondence will be sent to the chairman of the committee, Director Daughtrey.

Finances:

1. Reserve fund to be transferred from Jackson College, Jackson, Mississippi to Howard University, Washington, D.C.
2. Treasurer of Howard University to serve as Camp Treasurer.
3. Mr. George Foster and Mr. P. H. Stone to contact Director Ferguson relative to appropriation from Federal Office to be used in conducting the camp. An amount of \$3,000. was suggested as adequate.



4. All bills or financial needs to be submitted to chairman of committee, Director Daughtrey, for approval before expenditures are made. Camp Director and chairman of committee to disburse all funds and sign checks for payment as has been done in the past.

Registration:

1. Each state may send 4 boys and 4 girls as delegates and two state leaders.
2. Mr. Stone, Camp Director, to write states giving the dates set for the camp and requesting that the names of the leaders who will attend be sent in by May 1.
3. Write Extension Directors in all 48 states extending invitation to boys and girls to attend.
4. Visitors are not to be encouraged to attend. Agents who attend must be apart of the official delegation. Visitors must be authorized by a State worker and should understand the regulations governing the Camp. Persons attending without the proper authorization from State officials will not be included in any part of the camp program or activities. Mr. Stone should include statement to this effect when writing to states.
5. Mr. Stone will write states to send in names of 4-H delegates and will mail registration and health forms. Delegates should be instructed to have health examinations not more than a week or ten days before the camp and bring the forms with them to the camp. Health form used in previous years is satisfactory. Examinations taken before the designated period will not be accepted.
6. Investigate provisions of insurance as to liability and coverage for communicable diseases.
7. Fees per delegate:

Pre-registration	\$10.00
Registration	35.00
	<u>45.00</u>

Note: Meals and lodging	\$29.20
Entertainment and	
Incidentals	<u>5.80</u>
	\$35.00

Citations: 1. Mr. Stone to write states to make nominations for citations.

Next Committee Meeting: May 16, U.S.D.A.- Room 6026 10 a.m.

George Foster, Secretary  
Mrs. Ezelle M. Hawkins, Ass't Sec.

Committee Members:

Mr. Charles A. Sheffield	Mr. G. C. Cypress	Miss Mena Hogan
Mr. George Foster	Mr. P. H. Stone	Mrs. Marion Paul
Mr. W. E. Skelton	Mr. Ross W. Newsome	Mrs. Ezelle Hawkins
Director W. H. Daughtrey, Chairman		

